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The Shooting of Mr. Collins.

Christmas morning the startling news was spread over the city that Mr. D. E. Collins, who was an employee of the Tallahassee Gas and Water Works Companies, and Mr. Robert Gorman, a well known young man of Tallahassee, had both been shot, the first mentioned killed, and the latter seriously wounded in the shoulder, at about 10 o'clock, Sunday night. Mr. Collins, with a colored employee of the companies named was on the north end of Munroe street repairing a break in the water pipes of the company, when some one came up and hailed, ordering them to come to him. The colored man, Loomis, states that he and Mr. Collins were at work some time after the clock had struck 10, and that a man came across the street from in front of Miss Chaires residence and called, "come here!" He answered "sir!" "Come here," he ordered again, and fired. Loomis states that he went from him toward Mr. Collins. The man called again, "come here" Mr. Collins said "Boss, we are too busy filling up our ditch." Then another shot was fired and Mr. Collins fell over, dead, and that he then ran as fast as he could down the hill and gave the alarm.

Shortly after this, near the same neighborhood, Mr. Robert Gorman was also shot. He, Mr. Will Mabry and Mr. Hightower had been out together, but they left him and went visiting at Mr. Herrings. Some time afterwards Mr. Gorman walked into Mr. Herrings and fell unconscious. Examination showed that he was wounded in the right side just below the shoulder and that he was shot at close range as his coat was scorched, but as yet Mr. Gorman is unable to tell how he became wounded. The whole affair is shrouded in mystery, creating a big sensation in this community and is condemned by all good citizens.

Judge Whitfield, as coroner, at once went to work to investigate, and with Messrs. J. P. S. Houstoun, fereman, C. Z. Penn, D. B. Meginniss, J. A. Hearn, J. C. Montford and J. E. Williams as a jury have been holding daily sessions and it is reported have found facts not yet made public, and they have adjourned until Saturday afternoon.

Mr. Collins came here about three months ago from Spartenburg, Ga., where he has a family. He has conducted himself well, being always at his post of duty and faithful to his employees. His body was prepared for burial by Undertaker Duncan and his remains were laid to rest in the city cemetery Tuesday.

That such a terrible thing should happen in Tallahassee is an outrage, and all good citizens hope the guilty party or parties may be brought to justice.

We withhold further comment until the jury renders a verdict in accordance with what evidence they may have been able to secure.

Christmas Tree and Entertainment.

The Junior Epworth League of the Methodist church entertained the public Monday evening with a Christmas tree, and by rendering the following program: Song—Hark, the Herald Angels Sing. Prayer. Song—Joy to the World. Recitation—Janet Byrd. Solo—Margarette Demilly. Recitation—Onera Holloway. Recitation—Kate Byrd. Solo—Ada Moor. Recitation—Helen Saxon. Song—Ring the Merry Xmas Bell. Distribution of Presents. Hymn—All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name. Benediction.

The Baptist Junior Society gave a nice entertainment Tuesday evening, which was very creditable to Mrs. Cramer and her assistants in arranging for it, and to the children who took part. Every one present votes it one of the best ever given in the city.

Capt. John H. Law is among his hosts of Tallahassee friends again for a season.

Miss Mary L. Scott has returned home from Jacksonville, where she spent Christmas.

Mr. George Smith, of the Crawfordville Breeze, spent Christmas with Mrs. Smith's parents.

Miss Bangs, of Carrabelle High School, was the guest of Miss Edith Elliott this week.

Every one of Mr. Patrick McGriff's friends was glad to welcome him home for the Christmas season.

Miss Henrietta Ord Ames entertained the Young People's Card Club Tuesday evening Refreshments were served, and a most pleasant evening was enjoyed by those present.

The party who are on the coast after geese and ducks arrived at Panacea at 5 o'clock p. m. Tuesday, and before 8 o'clock the next morning got into large bunches of both and bagged a large number. Ducks and geese are plentiful on the Gulf coast this season, and are said to not be as wild as usual, and there is no better point to get at them than at pleasant Panacea Springs.

Announcement is made that the marriage of Mr. Walter L. Wight to Miss Augusta Chittenden will take place on the evening of January 18, 1906, in this city, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Chittenden. This event has been looked forward to for some time and the hosts of Tallahassee friends of this very popular young couple will rejoice with them in their happiness, and the best wishes of their acquaintances will go with them through life.

UNUSUAL CASE IN TALLAHASSEE

Injunction Against Internal Improvement Fund.

TALLAHASSEE SOUTHEASTERN RAILWAY CO. MOVING IN CONNECTION WITH THAT DEED IN ESCROW.

On December 22nd, Subpoenas were served on the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund in an injunction suit brought against the trustees by the Tallahassee Southeastern Railway Company, which seeks to enjoin the trustees from disposing of, paying out or otherwise appropriating any money now in their custody or controlling arising from the sale of about 110,000 acres of land situated in the counties of Taylor and Lafayette sold by the trustees to the Tallahassee Southeastern Railway Company, deeds being placed in escrow in the First National Bank of Tallahassee. The defendants are required to show cause on the 23rd day of January, 1906, before Hon. John Malone, Circuit Judge, at Quincy, why the injunction as prayed should not be granted.

Smith-Pifer Marriage.

Mr. W. R. Smith, the popular young clerk at Mr. H. L. Gregory's store, was married early this week at St. Marks to Miss Elsie Pifer. Miss P. came from Michigan two years ago, and has made many friends in her new home. They will make Tallahassee their home. It is now in order to congratulate the young couple, and, of course, The True Democrat, with their many friends, wish them a long and prosperous journey through life.

Trapping the Parson.

As William Morris was an Englishman, it may not seem remarkable to Americans that he did not always get his jokes right and first. In a biography of her husband Mrs. Edward Burne-Jones tells of the case with which he reversed them.

They had all been asking conundrums. "Who killed his brother Cain?" asked Burne-Jones.

Morris fell into the trap at once. "Abel!" he shouted.

Later in the day he came in laughing.

"I trapped the parson, by Jove!" he exclaimed. "I asked him, 'Who killed his brother Abel?'"

"'Cain,' he said at once. 'Ha!' I said. 'I knew you'd say that. Every one does.' I came away and left him puzzled enough, and I doubt if he's found out yet what the matter was."

Sharks Delicate in Captivity.

Sharks are rather delicate in captivity, and it is difficult to keep them in aquariums. Whatever care may be bestowed upon them they do not seem to be able to stand confinement, however large the tank or pool may be. In captivity sharks swim round and round the tank, nine times out of ten taking one course and never reversing. A shark has been known to keep its course for three or four months without change and, except for food, never halting, so far as it was observed. It would keep going all day long and would be found going in the morning just the same. If food was placed in its way, it would stop for several minutes and eat, remaining headed the same way. Presently it would start on again in the same direction on its rounds, moving slowly unless disturbed.

Necessities of a Happy Life.

There are two fundamental necessities for a happy life—namely, a useful occupation for mind and body and an outlet for unselfish affection. The first requisite for enduring happiness is in having work to do in which one believes. Such work always aims at the accomplishment of something useful. While this work must be done with fair efficiency, it should not be accompanied with too much drudgery or exhaustion. The simpler the plan on which one's living is modeled the less will be the complications and disturbances caused by an overelaborate scale of existence and the more time will be left for the real duties and pleasures of life.—From "Vital Questions," by Dr. Henry D. Chapin.

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Schedule T. S. E. Railroad.

Effective November 22 the T. S. E. train for Wacissa will leave Tallahassee depot at 2 p. m. daily, except Sunday, returning to arrive in Tallahassee at 4:30 p. m.

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Political Announcements.

[Announcements will be published under this head until after the Primary Elections at 25, in advance, for the full time.]

To the People of Leon County:

I hereby announce my candidacy for the position of State Senator from the Eighth Senatorial District. To you I submit the question of my qualifications to represent you in that capacity.

If nominated by the Democratic primary, and elected, I shall devote my best efforts to your service, and your interests and welfare shall be my sole consideration.

Respectfully,
JOHN W. HENDERSON.

For House of Representatives.

To the Democratic Voters of Leon County: We hereby announce Gilbert Hartsfield as a candidate for the House of Representatives, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary.

VOX POPULLI.

Citizens' Ticket.

For Mayor,
F. C. GILMORE.

For Tax Collector,
W. D. WILSON.

For Tax Assessor,
W. H. CHANCEY.

For Clerk and Treasurer,
A. H. WILLIAMS.

For Councilmen,
J. D. CAY, A. C. MILLER,
C. G. MYERS, A. EDMONDSON,
HAYWARD RANDOLPH.

To the Voters of Tallahassee: I respectfully offer myself as a candidate for the office of Mayor of Tallahassee, subject to the action of the city Democratic primary, and pledge myself, if elected, to perform all the duties of the office to the best of my ability.

F. C. GILMORE.

For Mayor.

The many friends of Dr. Henry E. Palmer announce him as a candidate for Mayor, subject to the action of the city Democratic primary.

For City Clerk.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for reelection to the office of City Clerk of the city of Tallahassee, Florida, subject to the action of the city Democratic primary.

I thank the voters of the city for support in past elections, and will appreciate it in this one.

A. H. WILLIAMS.

For City Tax Collector.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for reelection to the office of City Tax Collector of the city of Tallahassee, Florida, subject to the action of the city Democratic primary.

If elected, I promise to continue to do my best to make a faithful and efficient Collector.

W. D. WILSON.

For City Tax Assessor.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for reelection to the office of City Tax Assessor of the city of Tallahassee, Florida, subject to the action of the city Democratic primary.

Thanking my friends for the support they have given me in the past, I respectfully solicit the same in the coming primary.

W. H. CHANCEY.

Congressional Announcement.

I hereby announce that I am a candidate for Congress in the Tenth Congressional District of the State of Florida, subject to the Democratic primary that will be held in 1906. And I shall, if elected, work unceasingly and vote for:

1st. Appropriations for the improvement of the various bays, rivers and harbors of this congressional district.

2nd. I shall oppose the reduction of the South's representation in Congress.

3rd. I shall do all that I can to have free rural mail delivery established throughout the district.

4th. I shall endeavor to have a thorough geological survey made in each county of this district for the benefit of farmers and all concerned.

5th. I shall work for the proper advertisement of the State and its resources, and encourage the investment of capital.

6th. I shall work to place Florida on an equal footing with the leading States of the Union in education and industries, and the various progressive developments that will be beneficial to the State.

7th. I favor the increase and extension of the commercial relationship of the United States upon an equitable basis with the various nations and islands of the world, in order that the farmers of the South may find a ready market for their cotton and other products at paying prices, and that the manufacturer may find an outlet for his surplus manufactured products.

The above are a few of the many things that I favor and expect to work for if elected.

JEFFERSON D. STEPHENS.

Sheriff's Sale.

UNDER AND BY VIRTUE OF AN EXECUTION issued out of the Circuit Court of the Second Judicial Circuit of Florida in and for the County of Leon, upon a judgment recovered in the Court of the County Judge in and for said county, in a certain cause pending therein, wherein Joseph A. Edmondson was plaintiff and Richard Mann was defendant, I have viewed, upon and will sell at public outcry to the highest bidder will cash, before the county court house door in the city of Tallahassee, in said county, on the 5th day of February, A. D. 1906, between the hours of 11 o'clock a. m. and 2 o'clock p. m., all that certain piece or parcel of land situate in the city of Tallahassee aforesaid, known and described as follows, to-wit: Subdivision designated "G" of lot numbered fifty-four (54) in the northwest addition to said city, as per map or plat recorded in Deed Book "J. J." page 600, of the public records in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court in and for said county. Purchaser to pay for deeds.

CHARLES HOPKINS,
Sheriff of said County.
December 29, 1905.—5w

Mr. J. Wescott Edmondson spent the Christmas holidays with his Tallahassee relatives and friends.

Senator Taliferro has again introduced a bill (S. 1711) for the relief of Salvador Costa, who had considerable shipping property taken from him during the war, which was used in the service of the Union army or destroyed.

Says a Lake City correspondent for the T. U.: A strong effort is to be made to have Hon. Walter F. Cochman to talk to the farmers here on Jan. 6th. All know the wonderful results that have been achieved by him in the turpentine and naval stores interests, and they feel like having it fresh from the lips of a man who knows how it can be done by the farmers, if they stick together.

The Lamar-Williams debate has been the subject of a great deal of comment by public men and the newspapers. The Congressional Record, as yet, has not reported what was said. It is expected that a verbatim report will appear in a day or two, and the Floridians who receive the Record will have the pleasure of enjoying very spicy literature.—Washington Correspondent.

Billy—So yer did'n't git nuthin' but a jackknife and a sled fer Christmas?

Tommy—Yes; dat's all I got worth speakin' of. Dere wuz a suit of clothes and a overcoat, and a hat or two, and some underclothes, and a book of poems and some stockin's and gloves, and some collars and cuffs, and a few other things like dat, not worth speakin' of.—Exchange.



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